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**MAYOR EMANUEL'S 'HEALTH IN ALL' RESOLUTION TO ENSURE THAT HEALTH OF
COMMUNITIES IS AT THE CORE OF ALL CITY POLICIES**

City Council Passes Resolution to Ensure that All New City Policies Promote Public Health Benefits

The Chicago City Council today passed Mayor Rahm Emanuel's resolution to establish a "Health in All Policies" approach towards future program and project development across all City agencies and departments. This approach is designed to ensure that every branch of city government works collaboratively to promote health, recognizing most major policy issues facing Chicago—from education, transportation and housing to public safety—have health implications.

"While we have made tremendous progress over the past five years with our comprehensive citywide public health plan, this new resolution takes an extra step to ensure that as we create new policies, we are guaranteeing the health of our residents and communities," said Mayor Emanuel. "Every agency in City government has a role to play in ensuring all children raised in Chicago, regardless of their neighborhood or background, are able to live healthy lives."

The resolution also creates a Health in All Policies Task Force comprised of all City departments to identify new opportunities to improve the health of Chicago residents through areas including housing, transportation, food access, economic development and more.

Today's resolution fulfills a commitment made under the citywide Healthy Chicago 2.0 plan, which Mayor Emanuel and the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) unveiled in March. Healthy Chicago 2.0 is the city's new four-year plan designed to improve health and well-being across the city by addressing key needs unique to each of Chicago's communities. The plan provides more than 230 actionable strategies for the city and its partners to improve traditional health issues as well as systemic issues associated with poor health, including housing, education and transportation.

"Research shows a wide variety of factors go into making residents healthy, from good schools to safe streets," said CDPH Commissioner Julie Morita, M.D. "We can no longer put health in a silo, separate from how residents live, learn, work and play. This resolution strengthens our ability to collaborate with other City agencies to ensure healthy futures for all Chicago residents."

Today's resolution is the most recent step made as a result of Healthy Chicago 2.0. Earlier this month, CDPH [launched the Healthy Chicago Community Seed Grants](#) providing up to six grants to community based organizations to help meet the strategies outlined in the plan. CDPH is also hosting a series of community meetings, bringing together residents and partner organizations to discuss the strategies outline in Healthy Chicago 2.0, including the Health in All Policies resolution and the seed grants.

The next community meeting is slated for tonight at 2141 S. Tan Court in Chinatown. [The community meetings](#) are supported, in part, by a grant from the Otho S.A. Sprague Memorial Institute.

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